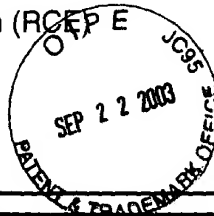


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First Named Inventor	Harn-Jing Terng, et al
Group Art Unit	1637 ✓
Examiner Name	Joyce Tung
Attorney Docket Number	12674-003001

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

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- b. ☒ Enclosed
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- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
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- b. ☐ Other _____
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- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17) 01 FC:2801 375.00 OP
- iii. ☒ Other Any deficiencies
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AMENDMENT/REPLY UNDER 37 CFR § 1.114(d)

Applicants hereby file a request for continued examination under 37 CFR § 1.114(d) in response to the final office action dated May 21, 2003 and the advisory action dated September 10, 2003. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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